In the Claims

Please insert the following clean-text claim for the pending claim of the same number.

14. (Once Amended) A method for determining whether or not an element of a network comprised in an integrated circuit is a feedback element, the method comprising the step of:

analyzing information relating to the network to determine whether or not an element comprised in the integrated circuit is a feedback element.

REMARKS

Present Status of Patent Application

After entry of the foregoing amendments, claims 1-22 remain pending in the present application, and reconsideration of these claims is respectfully requested. The Office Action rejected claims 1-22 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which application regards as the invention. The Office Action also rejected claims 1, 14 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Kuhns. The Office Action also rejected claims 1-2, 11, 14-15, 19 and 22 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,133,648, to Schuelein et al. The Office Action also rejected claims 1, 14 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,182,268 B1, to McElvain. For the reasons set forth herein, Applicant respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of these rejections.